HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 841 By Mumpower

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Perry Stout on earning the degree of Juris Doctor from the Cecil C.

Humphreys School of Law at the University of Memphis.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those citizens who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Perry L. Stout is one such estimable Tennessean who recently fulfilled the rigorous requirements of the Juris Doctor curriculum and received a degree from the Cecil C. Humphreys School of Law at the University of Memphis; and

WHEREAS, a 1990 graduate of Johnson County High School, Mr. Stout served gallantly for two years in the United States Army before earning a Bachelor of Science in Criminology from East Tennessee State University in 1997; and

WHEREAS, he worked with acumen and alacrity at North East Correctional Complex as a corrections officer before entering law school in August of 2001; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, he achieved outstanding academic success and joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and in our country; his display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, now preparing for the February bar exam, Mr. Stout credits his success to his strong relationship with his Lord; the great sacrifices of his beloved wife, Christy M. Stout; his father and mother-in-law, Roy and Dixie Snyder; his family; and his best friend, James H. Thompson; and

WHEREAS, his noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his family, friends, and community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stout's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend and honor Perry L. Stout on his impressive academic achievements in completing the degree of Juris Doctor at the University of Memphis and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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